AIR QUALITY PERMIT

Issued To: Thompson River Co-Gen, L.L.C.

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Kalispell, MT 59901

Permit: #3175-02

Administrative Amendment (AA) Request

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An air quality permit, with conditions, is hereby granted to Thompson River Co-Gen, L.L.C. (TRC), pursuant to Sections 75-2-204 and 211 of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA), as amended, and Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.8.740, *et seq.*, as amended, for the following:

SECTION I: Permitted Facilities

A. Plant Location

TRC operates a 16.5-megawatt (MW) capacity electricity and steam co-generation plant. A complete list of permitted equipment/emission sources is contained in Section I.A of the permit analysis. The TRC plant is located approximately 3.7 miles east-southeast of Thompson Falls, MT. The legal description of the site is in the SW¼ of the NW¼ of the NE¼ of Section 13, Township 21 North, Range 29 West, in Sanders County, Montana. The approximate universal transverse mercator (UTM) coordinates are Zone 11, Easting 631.6 kilometers (km), and Northing 5270.6 km.

B. Current Permit Action

On February 24, 2005, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (Department) received from TRC a notice of an administrative error contained in TRC's Montana Air Quality Permit (MAQP) #3175-01. Specifically, Section II.C, Testing Requirements, does not include a specific testing schedule for oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) emissions from the boiler. Section II.B clearly specifies that boiler NO_x emission limits are subject to source testing. MAQP #3175-01 includes provisions enabling the Department to invoke boiler NO_x source testing; however, at the request of TRC and in the interest of providing clarification for boiler NO_x source testing requirements, the current permit action amends the permit to include the appropriate NO_x source testing schedule under the provisions of the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.8.764(1)(c). The amended NO_x source testing requirement is included in Section II.C.1 of the current permit action.

Further, on April 8, 2005, TRC submitted a request for an additional permit amendment under the provisions of ARM 17.8.764(1)(b) to change the existing implied Method 5 source-testing schedule for various permitted emitting units, maintain and specify the implied Method 9 source testing schedule, and accurately characterize certain emitting unit control technologies as fabric filter bin vents. The amended source testing requirements (testing schedules) are included in Section II.C.8, II.C.9, II.C.10, and II.C.11. A more detailed discussion of these changes is contained in Section I.D., Current Permit Action, of the Permit Analysis to this permit.

In addition, since TRC has accomplished various notification requirements contained in Section II.G of MAQP #3175-01, those affected notifications have been removed from the permit under the current permit action.

SECTION II: Conditions and Limitations

A. Operational Conditions

- 1. Boiler steam production shall be limited to a maximum of 130,000 pounds per hour (lb/hr) (ARM 17.8.749).
- 2. Boiler heat input capacity shall be limited to 192.8 million British thermal units per hour (MMBtu/hr) and 1,688,928 MMBtu during any rolling 12-month time period (ARM 17.8.749).
- 3. The coal-fuel feed rate for the boiler shall not exceed 105,558 tons of coal during any rolling 12-month time period (ARM 17.8.749).
- 4. The boiler main stack shall be a minimum of 100.5 feet tall and shall be 6 feet in diameter (ARM 17.8.749).
- 5. Oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) emissions from the Boiler shall be controlled by the use of over-fire air (OFA) (ARM 17.8.752).
- 6. Sulfur dioxide (SO₂) emissions from the Boiler shall be controlled by a dry-lime scrubber when combusting coal (ARM 17.8.752).
- 7. The control efficiency of the SO₂ emission control equipment shall be maintained at a minimum of 90% based on a rolling 30-day average. The SO₂ control efficiency shall be established as detailed in 40 CFR 60.45(b) (ARM 17.8.340, ARM 17.8.752, and 40 CFR 60, Subpart Db).
- 8. Particulate matter/particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 microns (PM/PM₁₀) emissions from the Boiler shall be controlled by a fabric filter baghouse (DC5) (ARM 17.8.752).
- 9. Carbon monoxide (CO) and Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions from the Boiler shall be controlled by proper boiler design and operation and good combustion practices (ARM 17.8.752).
- 10. Hydrochloric acid (HCl) gas, sulfuric acid mist (H₂SO₄), and mercury (Hg) emissions from the Boiler shall be controlled by a dry-lime scrubber in combination with a fabric filter baghouse (ARM 17.8.752).
- 11. The Boiler may be fired with coal and/or wood-waste biomass only except for periods of Boiler start-up when diesel or propane fuel may be used (ARM 17.8.749).
- 12. Coal fired in the boiler shall have a minimum heating value of 8,000 Btu/lb (ARM 17.8.749).
- 13. The sulfur content of any coal fired at TRC shall not exceed 1% by weight (ARM 17.8. 752).
- 14. TRC shall obtain a written coal analysis that is representative of each load of coal received from each coal supplier. The analysis shall contain, at a minimum, sulfur content, ash content, Btu value (Btu/lb), and chlorine concentration (ARM 17.8.749).

- 15. The boiler pre-heater shall be limited to a maximum heat input capacity of 60 MMBtu/hr (ARM 17.8.749).
- 16. The boiler pre-heater may be fired on propane or diesel fuel only (ARM 17.8.749).
- 17. The boiler pre-heater shall be limited to a maximum of 500 hours of operation during any rolling 12-month time period (ARM 17.8.749).
- 18. The boiler pre-heater shall be equipped with an automatic shut-off device, which is activated when the coal feeder becomes operational. Boiler pre-heater operations shall be limited to start-up, shutdown, malfunction, and boiler commissioning operations. TRC shall not operate the boiler pre-heater when electricity is being generated through boiler operations or when the boiler fuel feed (wood-waste and/or coal) is operational (ARM 17.8.749).
- 19. TRC may operate propane-fired boiler refractory brick pre-heaters only for the purpose of curing boiler refractory brick. The refractory curing heater(s) shall be limited to a combined maximum heat input capacity of 60 MMBtu/hr (ARM 17.8.749).
- 20. The refractory curing heater(s) shall be limited to a maximum of 500 hours of operation per heater during any rolling 12-month time period (ARM 17.8.749).
- 21. TRC shall not operate the refractory curing heater(s) when electricity is being generated through boiler operations or when the boiler fuel feed (wood-waste and/or coal) is operational (ARM 17.8.749).
- 22. All railcar coal deliveries/transfers shall be unloaded via a bottom dump into an undertrack hopper. PM/PM₁₀ emissions from railcar transfers to the under-track hopper shall be enclosed and controlled by a fabric filter baghouse (Fuel Handling Baghouse DC1) (ARM 17.8.752).
- 23. Coal shall be delivered via conveyor (C1 and C2) to the day-bin coal silo (S1) prior to Boiler feed. PM/PM₁₀ emissions from C1 coal loading shall be controlled by a partially enclosed (3-sided) hopper and vented to DC1. S1 shall be enclosed and vented to a fabric filter bin vent (Fuel Handling Bin Vent DC2) (ARM 17.8.752).
- 24. All material transfer conveyors for coal fuel storage and handling operations shall be limited to a maximum of 200 tons per hour capacity and shall be enclosed and vented to DC1 and/or DC2 (ARM 17.8.752).
- 25. TRC shall install and maintain wind fencing and an earthen berm to control fugitive dust emissions resulting from outdoor coal storage piles and operations. Further, TRC shall use reasonable precautions to control fugitive dust emissions from coal pile storage operations. Reasonable precautions shall include, but not be limited to, minimizing the number of coal pile disturbances, minimizing the area of coal pile disturbances, minimizing the fall distance of coal pile storage operations, and the use of wet dust suppression, as necessary, to control fugitive dust emissions from coal pile storage operations (ARM 17.8.752).
- 26. Outdoor coal storage shall be limited to a maximum of 6,000 tons at any given time (ARM 17.8.749)

- 27. Wood-waste biomass fuel shall be delivered to the Boiler via a pneumatic conveyor system. The pneumatic conveyor shall be enclosed and vented through the Boiler and DC5 (ARM 17.8.752).
- 28. On-site wood-waste biomass storage shall be limited to a maximum of 3,000 tons at any given time (ARM 17.8.749).
- 29. All lime shall be stored in an enclosed silo. TRC shall install and operate a fabric filter bin vent (Lime Silo Bin Vent DC3) to control PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the lime silo supplying the dry-lime scrubber (ARM 17.8.752).
- 30. All ash (fly and bottom ash) produced during boiler operations shall be stored in enclosed silos. TRC shall install and operate fabric filter bin vents (Fly Ash Silo Bin Vent DC4 & Bottom Ash Silo Bin Vent DC6) to control PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the ash silos collecting boiler bottom ash/fly ash (ARM 17.8.752).
- 31. All fly ash transfers to trucks shall be gravity fed through a retractable load-out spout (ARM 17.8.749).
- 32. All bottom ash transfers to trucks shall utilize a partial (3-sided) enclosure to control fugitive dust emissions (ARM 17.8.749).
- 33. TRC shall install and operate a Continuous Opacity Monitoring System (COMS) to monitor opacity from the Boiler (ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db).
- 34. TRC shall install and operate a NO_x Continuous Emission Monitoring System (CEMS) to monitor compliance with the Boiler NO_x emission limits (ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db).
- 35. TRC shall not cause or authorize the use of any street, road, or parking lot without taking reasonable precautions to control emissions of airborne particulate matter (ARM 17.8.308).
- 36. TRC shall treat all unpaved portions of the haul roads, access roads, parking lots, or general plant area with water and/or chemical dust suppressant as necessary to maintain compliance with the reasonable precautions limitation in Section II.A.35 (ARM 17.8.749).
- 37. TRC shall comply with all applicable standards and limitations, and the reporting, recordkeeping and notification requirements contained in 40 CFR 60, Subpart A, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db (ARM 17.8.340, 40 CFR 60, Subpart A, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db).

B. Emission Limitations

- 1. TRC shall not cause or authorize emissions to be discharged into the outdoor atmosphere from any sources installed after November 23, 1968, and not subject to 40 CFR Part 60, that exhibit an opacity of 20% or greater averaged over 6-consecutive minutes (ARM 17.8.304).
- 2. TRC shall not cause or authorize to be discharged into the atmosphere from the fabric filter baghouse controlling emissions from the Boiler (Boiler Baghouse DC5) any visible emissions that exhibit an opacity of 20% or greater averaged over 6 consecutive minutes except for one 6-minute period per hour of not greater than 27% opacity (ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR Part 60.43b(f), Subpart Db).

- 3. All boiler emission limits shall be calculated on a 1-hour averaging time. Emissions from the Boiler shall not exceed the following (ARM 17.8.752):
 - a. NO_x Emissions:
 - i. 0.178 lb/MMBtu; and
 - ii. 34.32 lb/hr
 - b. CO Emissions:
 - i. 0.259 lb/MMBtu; and
 - ii. 49.92 lb/hr
 - c. SO₂ Emissions:
 - i. 0.220 lb/MMBtu; and
 - ii. 42.42 lb/hr.
 - d. PM/PM_{10} Emissions:
 - i. 5.90 lb/hr; and
 - ii. 0.017 gr/dscf.*
 - iii. The Boiler I.D. fan shall be limited to a maximum flow rate of 40,513 dscfm (ARM 17.8.749).
 - * The grain loading limit in Section II.B.3.d(ii) is the Boiler Baghouse (DC5) limit.
 - e. VOC Emissions:
 - i. 0.0308 lb/MMBtu; and
 - ii. 5.93 lb/hr.
 - f. HCl Emissions (ARM 17.8.749 and ARM 17.8.752):
 - i. 0.01125 lb/MMBtu; and
 - ii. 2.17 lb/hr and 9.50 ton/yr
- 4. PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the Fuel Handling Baghouse DC1 shall not exceed 0.02 gr/dscf (ARM 17.8.752).
- 5. PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the Fuel Handling Bin Vent DC2 shall not exceed 0.02 gr/dscf (ARM 17.8.752).
- PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the Lime Silo Bin Vent DC3 shall not exceed 0.02 gr/dscf (ARM 17.8.752).
- 7. PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the Fly Ash Silo Bin Vent DC4 shall not exceed 0.02 gr/dscf (ARM 17.8.752).
- 8. PM/PM₁₀ emissions from the Bottom Ash Silo Bin Vent DC6 shall not exceed 0.02 gr/dscf (ARM 17.8.752).

C. Testing Requirements

- 1. Compliance with the NO_x emission limits for the Boiler shall be monitored by an initial performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. TRC shall conduct performance source testing for NO_x and CO, concurrently. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department. TRC may use testing in conjunction with the Relative Accuracy Test completed for certification of the CEMS, as a compliance test, if maximum achievable process rates are maintained (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, 40 CFR Part 60.8, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db).
- 2. Compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ emission limits for the Boiler/Boiler Baghouse DC5 shall be monitored by an initial performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue annually or according to another testing /monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, 40 CFR Part 60.8, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db).
- 3. Compliance with the CO emission limits for the Boiler shall be monitored by an initial performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. TRC shall conduct the performance source testing for CO and NO_x, concurrently. The testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart A, and 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db).
- 4. Compliance with the SO₂ emission limits for the Boiler shall be monitored by an initial performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue annually or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105).
- 5. Compliance with the HCl emission limits for the Boiler shall be monitored by an initial performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 4-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105).
- 6. TRC shall provide the Department with a record of the amount of coal being combusted and a coal analysis including sulfur content, chlorine content, ash content, and Btu value during all compliance source tests on the Boiler (ARM 17.8.749 and ARM 17.8.106).
- 7. Compliance with the opacity limit for the Fuel Handling Baghouse DC1 shall be monitored by an initial Method 9 performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

Compliance with the PM/PM_{10} emission limits for the Fuel Handling Baghouse – DC1 shall be monitored by a performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

8. Compliance with the opacity limit for the Fuel Handling Bin Vent – DC2 shall be monitored by an initial Method 9 performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/ monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

Compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ emission limits for the Fuel Handling Bin Vent – DC2 shall be monitored by a performance source test conducted as required by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

9. Compliance with the opacity limit for the Lime Silo Bin Vent – DC3 shall be monitored by an initial Method 9 performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/ monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105,ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

Compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ emission limits for the Lime Silo Bin Vent – DC3 shall be monitored by a performance source test conducted as required by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

10. Compliance with the opacity limit for the Fly Ash Silo Bin Vent – DC4 shall be monitored by an initial Method 9 performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/ monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

Compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ emission limits for the Fly Ash Silo Bin Vent – DC4 shall be monitored by a performance source test conducted as required by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

11. Compliance with the opacity limit for the Bottom Ash Silo Bin Vent – DC6 shall be monitored by an initial Method 9 performance source test conducted within 60 days of achieving the maximum production rate at which the affected facility will be operated but not later than 180 days after initial startup. After the initial source test, testing shall continue on an every 2-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

Compliance with the PM/PM₁₀ emission limits for the Bottom Ash Silo Bin Vent – DC6 shall be monitored by a performance source test conducted as required by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752).

- 12. All compliance source tests shall conform to the requirements of the Montana Source Test Protocol and Procedures Manual (ARM 17.8.106).
- 13. The Department may require further testing (ARM 17.8.105).
- D. Operational Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements
 - 1. TRC shall supply the Department with annual production information for all emission points, as required by the Department in the annual emission inventory request. The request will include, but is not limited to, all sources of emissions identified in the emission inventory contained in the permit analysis.
 - Production information shall be gathered on a calendar-year basis and submitted to the Department by the date required in the emission inventory request. Information shall be in the units required by the Department. This information may be used to calculate operating fees, based on actual emissions from the facility, and/or to verify compliance with permit limitations. TRC shall submit the required information annually to the Department by February 15 (ARM 17.8.505).
 - 2. TRC shall maintain on site records of all coal analyses conducted in accordance with the coal sampling requirement. TRC shall submit a summary of all coal analyses to the Department by February 15 of each year; the information may be submitted along with the annual emission inventory (ARM 17.8.505 and ARM 17.8.749).
 - 3. TRC shall maintain on site records of all annual COMS/CEMS certifications as required in Section II.E.1. The records shall be maintained by TRC for at least 5 years following the date of the measurement, must be available at the facility site for inspection by the Department, and must be submitted to the Department upon request (ARM 17.8.749).
 - 4. TRC shall notify the Department of any construction or improvement project conducted pursuant to ARM 17.8.745, that would include a change in control equipment, stack height, stack diameter, stack flow, stack gas temperature, source location or fuel specifications, or would result in an increase in source capacity above its permitted operation or the addition of a new emission unit. The notice must be submitted to the Department, in writing, 10 days prior to start up or use of the proposed de minimis change, or as soon as reasonably practicable in the event of an unanticipated circumstance causing the de minimis change, and must include the information requested in ARM 17.8.745(1)(d) (ARM 17.8.745).
 - 5. All records compiled in accordance with this permit must be maintained by TRC as a permanent business record for at least 5 years following the date of the measurement, must be available at the plant site for inspection by the Department, and must be submitted to the Department upon request (ARM 17.8.749).
 - 6. TRC shall document, by hour, the Boiler steam production in pounds per hour. TRC shall maintain a steam production monitoring system capable of demonstrating compliance with the hourly steam production limit contained in Section II.A.1 (ARM 17.8.749).

- 7. TRC shall document, by month, the boiler heat input value. By the 25th day of each month, TRC shall total the heat input in MMBtu/month during each of the previous 12 months for use in verifying compliance with the limitation in Section II.A.2. The information for each of the previous 12 months shall be submitted along with the annual emission inventory. TRC shall use the coal heating value established under the coal analysis requirement for the coal fired at that time and shall use a wood-waste heating value of 5,200 Btu/lb from AP-42, Fifth Edition, Volume I, Appendix A (ARM 17.8.749).
- 8. TRC shall document, by hour, the boiler heat input value in MMBtu/hr. TRC shall maintain a heat input monitoring system capable of demonstrating compliance with the hourly heat input limit contained in Section II.A.2. TRC shall use the coal heating value established under the coal analysis requirement for the coal fired at that time and shall use a wood-waste heating value of 5,200 Btu/lb from AP-42, Fifth Edition, Volume I, Appendix A (ARM 17.8.749).
- 9. TRC shall document, by month, the coal feed rate to the boiler. By the 25th day of each month, TRC shall total the coal feed to the boiler during each of the previous 12 months for use in verifying compliance with the limitation in Section II.A.3. The information for each of the previous 12 months shall be submitted along with the annual emission inventory (ARM 17.8.749).
- 10. TRC shall document compliance with the SO₂ percent reduction requirement contained in Section II.A.7. Documentation shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions contained in 40 CFR 60, Subpart Db (ARM 17.8.749 and 40 CFR 60, Subpart Db).
- 11. TRC shall maintain records monitoring compliance with the fuel use requirements specified in Section II.A.11 (ARM 17.8.749).
- 12. TRC shall maintain records monitoring compliance with the coal type and heating value requirements specified in Section II.A.12 (ARM 17.8.749).
- 13. TRC shall document, by month, the boiler pre-heater operating hours. By the 25th day of each month, TRC shall total the boiler pre-heater operating hours during each of the previous 12 months for use in verifying compliance with the limitation in Section II.A.17. The information for each of the previous 12 months shall be submitted along with the annual emission inventory (ARM 17.8.749).
- 14. TRC shall document, by month, the refractory curing heater(s) operating hours. By the 25th day of each month, TRC shall total each of the refractory curing heater(s) operating hours during each of the previous 12 months for use in verifying compliance with the limitation in Section II.A.20. The information for each of the previous 12 months shall be submitted along with the annual emission inventory (ARM 17.8.749).
- 15. TRC shall maintain records monitoring compliance with the outdoor coal storage limit of 6,000 tons at any given time (ARM 17.8.749).
- 16. TRC shall maintain records monitoring compliance with the outdoor wood-waste storage limit of 3,000 tons at any given time (ARM 17.8.749).

E. Monitoring Requirements

- 1. TRC shall install, operate, and maintain the applicable COMS/CEMS listed in Section II.A. Emission monitoring shall be subject to 40 CFR 60, Subpart Db, Appendix B (Performance Specifications) and Appendix F (Quality Assurance/Quality Control) provisions. TRC shall conduct a Relative Accuracy Test Audit (RATA) for the CEMS and shall inspect and audit the COMS annually, using neutral density filters (EPA Technical Assistance Document: Performance Audit Procedures for Opacity Monitors; EPA-450/4-92-010, April 1992). The annual monitor RATA/audit may coincide with the required compliance source testing.
- 2. All stack testing that is required (in Section II.C) shall be conducted according to 40 CFR Part 60, Appendix A, 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db, and ARM 17.8.105, Testing Requirements Provisions. Test methods and procedures, where there is more than one option for any given pollutant, shall be approved by the Department prior to commencement of testing (ARM 17.8.106 and ARM 17.8.749).
- 3. Monitoring data shall be maintained for a minimum of 5 years at the TRC facility (ARM 17.8.749).

F. Ambient Air Monitoring

TRC shall operate a PM_{10} ambient air quality-monitoring network at the project site. The monitoring requirements are fully described in the Monitoring Plan (Attachment 1). Exact monitoring locations must be approved by the Department prior to installation or relocation (ARM 17.8.749 and ARM 17.8.204).

G. Notification

- 1. Within 30 days after commencement of construction of the Bottom Ash Bin Vent DC6 for the bottom ash silo, TRC shall notify the Department of the date of commencement of construction (ARM 17.8.749).
- 2. Within 15 days after actual startup of the Bottom Ash Bin Vent DC6 for the bottom ash silo, TRC shall notify the Department of the date of actual startup (ARM 17.8.749).

SECTION III: General Conditions

- A. Inspection TRC shall allow the Department's representatives access to the facility at all reasonable times for the purpose of making inspections or surveys, collecting samples, obtaining data, auditing any monitoring equipment (CEMS, CERMS) or observing any monitoring or testing, and otherwise conducting all necessary functions related to this permit.
- B. Waiver The permit and the terms, conditions, and matters stated herein shall be deemed accepted if TRC fails to appeal as indicated below.
- C. Compliance with Statutes and Regulations Nothing in this permit shall be construed as relieving TRC of the responsibility for complying with any applicable federal or Montana statute, rule, or standard, except as specifically provided in ARM 17.8.740, *et seq.* (ARM 17.8.756).

- D. Enforcement Violations of limitations, conditions and requirements contained herein may constitute grounds for permit revocation, penalties or other enforcement action as specified in Section 75-2-401, *et seq.*, MCA.
- E. Appeals Any person or persons jointly or severally adversely affected by the Department's decision may request, within 15 days after the Department renders its decision, upon affidavit setting forth the grounds therefore, a hearing before the Board of Environmental Review (Board). A hearing shall be held under the provisions of the Montana Administrative Procedures Act. The filing of a request for a hearing does not stay the Department's decision, unless the Board issues a stay upon receipt of a petition and a finding that a stay is appropriate under Section 75-2-211(11)(b). The issuance of a stay on a permit by the Board postpones the effective date of the Department's decision until conclusion of the hearing and issuance of a final decision by the Board. If a stay is not issued by the Board, the Department's decision on the application is final 16 days after the Department's decision is made.
- F. Permit Inspection As required by ARM 17.8.755, Inspection of Permit, a copy of the air quality permit shall be made available for inspection by the Department at the location of the facility.
- G. Permit Fee Pursuant to Section 75-2-220, MCA, failure by TRC to pay the annual operation fee may be grounds for revocation of this permit, as required by that section and rules adopted thereunder by the Board.
- H. Construction Commencement Construction must begin within 3 years of permit issuance and proceed with due diligence until the project is complete or the permit shall be revoked. This permit will expire 3 years after the date of permit issuance unless construction commences within that time period (ARM 17.8.762).

ATTACHMENT 1

Ambient Air Monitoring Plan Thompson River Co-Gen, LLC Permit #3175-02

- 1. This ambient air monitoring plan is required by Montana Air Quality Permit (MAQP) #3175-01, which applies to Thompson River Co-Gen's (TRC) electrical and steam co-generation operations near Thompson Falls, in Sanders County, Montana. This monitoring plan may be changed by the Department of Environmental Quality (Department). All current requirements of this plan are considered conditions of MAQP #3175-01.
- 2. TRC shall install, operate, and maintain a single ambient air quality monitoring station in the vicinity of plant. The exact location of the monitoring site must be approved by the Department and meet all siting requirements contained in the Montana Quality Assurance Manual, including revisions; the EPA Quality Assurance Manual, including revisions; and Parts 50, 53, and 58 of the Code of Federal Regulation; or any other requirements specified by the Department.
- 3. TRC shall continue air monitoring for at least 5 years after implementation of the ambient air monitoring plan. At that time, the air monitoring data will be reviewed by the Department and the Department will determine if continued monitoring or additional monitoring is warranted. The Department may require continued air monitoring to track long-term impacts of emissions for the facility or require additional ambient air monitoring or analyses if any changes take place in regard to quality and/or quantity of emissions or the area of impact from the emissions.
- 4. TRC shall monitor the following parameters at the sites and frequencies described below:

Location Site Parameter Frequency								
Plant Area Thompson PM_{10}^{1} Every 3^{rd} day ²								
30-089-0008	30-089-0008 River Co-Gen Local Conditions: 85101 according to EPA							
	Standard Conditions: 81102 monitoring schedule							
$^{1}PM_{10}$ = particulate matter less than 10 microns. $^{2}Every 3^{rd}$ day throughout the year (1/3 schedule)								

5. Data recovery (DR) for all parameters shall be at least 80%, computed on a quarterly and annual basis. The Department may require continued monitoring if this condition is not met. The data recovery shall be calculated using the following equation(s), as applicable:

$$\label{eq:manual methods} \textit{Manual Methods\%DR} = \left[\frac{\textit{total number of valid samples collected}}{\textit{total number of samples scheduled}}\right] X\,100$$

or

$$Automated\,Methods\%\,DR = \left[\frac{total\,\,number of\,\,hours\,\,possible-hours\,lost\,to\,\,QA/\,QC\,\,checks-hours\,lost\,to\,\,downtime}{total\,\,number of\,\,hours\,\,possible}\right]X\,100$$

- 6. Any ambient air monitoring changes proposed by TRC must be approved in writing by the Department.
- 7. TRC shall utilize air monitoring and quality assurance procedures which are equal to or exceed the requirements described in the Montana Quality Assurance Manual, including revisions; the EPA Quality Assurance Manual, including revisions; 40 CFR Parts 53 and 58 of the Code of Federal Regulations; and any other requirements specified by the Department.

- 8. TRC shall submit quarterly data reports within 45 days after the end of the calendar quarter and an annual data report within 90 days after the end of the calendar year. The annual report may be substituted for the fourth quarterly report if all information in Item 9 below is included in the report.
- 9. The quarterly report shall consist of a narrative data summary and a data submittal of all data points in AIRS format. This data shall be submitted on a 3" diskette or a compact disc (CD). The narrative data summary shall include:
 - a. A topographic map of appropriate scale showing the air monitoring site locations in relation to the plant, any nearby residences and/or businesses, and the town of Thompson Falls.
 - b. A hard copy of the individual data points
 - c. The quarterly and monthly means for PM_{10}
 - d. The first and second highest 24-hour PM_{10} concentrations and dates
 - e. A summary of the data collection efficiency
 - f. A summary of the reasons for missing data
 - g. A precision and accuracy (audit) summary
 - h. A summary of any ambient air standard exceedances
 - i. Calibration information
- 10. The annual data report shall consist of a narrative data summary containing:
 - a. A topographic map of appropriate scale showing the air monitoring site locations in relation to the plant, any nearby residences and/or businesses, and the town of Thompson Falls.
 - b. A pollution trend analysis
 - c. The annual means for PM_{10}
 - d. The first and second highest 24-hour PM_{10} concentrations and dates
 - e. An annual summary of data collection efficiency
 - f. An annual summary of precision and accuracy (audit) data
 - g. An annual summary of any ambient standard exceedance
 - h. Recommendations for future monitoring
- 11. The Department may audit, or may require TRC to contract with an independent firm to audit the air-monitoring network, the laboratory performing associated analyses, and any data handling procedures at unspecified times. Based on the audits and subsequent reports, the Department may recommend or require changes in the air monitoring network and associated activities in order to improve precision, accuracy, and data completeness.

Attachment 2 Permit #3175-02

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING EXCESS EMISSION REPORTS

PART 1 Complete as shown. Report total time during the reporting period in hours. The determination of plant operating time (in hours) includes time during unit start up, shut down, malfunctions, or whenever pollutants of any magnitude are generated, regardless of unit condition or operating load.

Excess emissions include all time periods when emissions, as measured by the CEMS, exceed any applicable emission standard for any applicable time period.

Percent of time in compliance is to be determined as:

(1 – (total hours of excess emissions during reporting period / total hours of CEMS availability during reporting period)) x 100

PART 2 Complete as shown. Report total time the point source operated during the reporting period in hours. The determination of point source operating time includes time during unit start up, shut down, malfunctions, or whenever pollutants (of any magnitude) are generated, regardless of unit condition or operating load.

Percent of time CEMS was available during point source operation is to be determined as:

(1 - (CEMS downtime in hours during the reporting period* / total hours of point source operation during reporting period)) x 100

- * All time required for calibration and to perform preventative maintenance must be included in the opacity CEMS downtime.
- PART 3 Complete a separate sheet for each pollutant control device. Be specific when identifying control equipment operating parameters. For example: number of TR units, energized for ESPs; pressure drop and effluent temperature for baghouses; and bypass flows and pH levels for scrubbers. For the initial EER, include a diagram or schematic for each piece of control equipment.
- PART 4 Use Table I as a guideline to report <u>all</u> excess emissions. Complete a separate sheet for each monitor. Sequential numbering of each excess emission is recommended. For each excess emission, indicate: 1) time and duration, 2) nature and cause, and 3) action taken to correct the condition of excess emissions. Do not use computer reason codes for corrective actions or nature and cause; rather, be specific in the explanation. If no excess emissions occur during the quarter, it must be so stated.
- PART 5 Use Table II as a guideline to report all CEM system upsets or malfunctions. Complete a separate sheet for each monitor. List the time, duration, nature and extent of problems, as well as the action taken to return the CEM system to proper operation. Do not use reason codes for nature, extent or corrective actions. Include normal calibrations and maintenance as prescribed by the monitor manufacturer. Do not include zero and span checks.
- PART 6 Complete a separate sheet for each pollutant control device. Use Table III as a guideline to report operating status of control equipment during the excess emission. Follow the number sequence as recommended for excess emissions reporting. Report operating parameters consistent with Part 3, Subpart e.
- PART 7 Complete a separate sheet for each monitor. Use Table IV as a guideline to summarize excess emissions and monitor availability.

PART 8 Have the person in charge of the overall system and reporting certify the validity of the report by signing in Part 8.

EXCESS EMISSIONS REPORT

PART 1

a.	Emission Reporting Period	
b.	Report Date	
c.	Person Completing Report	
d.	Plant Name	
e.	Plant Location	
f.	Person Responsible for Review and Integrity of Report	
g.	Mailing Address for 1.f.	
h.	Phone Number of 1.f.	
i.	Total Time in Reporting Period ————————————————————————————————————	
j.	Total Time Plant Operated During Quarter	
k.	Permitted Allowable Emission Rates: Opacity	
	SO ₂ NO _x	TRS
1.	Percent of Time Out of Compliance: Opacity	
	SO ₂ NO _x	TRS
m.	Amount of Product Produced During Reporting Period	
n.	Amount of Fuel Used During Reporting Period	

PART 2 - Monitor Information: Complete for each monitor. Monitor Type (circle one) a. Opacity SO_2 NO_x O_2 CO_2 TRS Flow b. Manufacturer Model No. c. d. Serial No. Automatic Calibration Value: Zero _____ Span e. f. Date of Last Monitor Performance Test Percent of Time Monitor Available: g. 1) During reporting period 2) During plant operation h. Monitor Repairs or Replaced Components Which Affected or Altered Calibration Values Conversion Factor (f-Factor, etc.) i. Location of monitor (e.g. control equipment outlet) j. PART 3 - Parameter Monitor of Process and Control Equipment. (Complete one sheet for each pollutant.) Pollutant (circle one): a. SO_2 $NO_{\rm x}$ TRS Opacity b. Type of Control Equipment Control Equipment Operating Parameters (i.e. delta P. scrubber c.

ate of Control Equipment Pe	erformance Test	
ontrol Equipment Operating	Parameter During Performance Test	

PART 4 -	Excess Emission	on (by Pollutant)
	Use Table I:	Complete table as per instructions. Complete one sheet for each monitor.
PART 5 -	Continuous Mo	onitoring System Operation Failures
	Use Table II:	Complete table as per instructions. Complete one sheet for each monitor.
PART 6 -	Control Equip	ment Operation During Excess Emissions
	Use Table III:	Complete as per instructions. Complete one sheet for each pollutant control device.
Part 7 -	Excess Emission	ons and CEMS performance Summary Report
	Use Table IV:	Complete one sheet for each monitor.
PART 8 -	Certification fo	or Report Integrity, by person in 1.f.
		ERTIFY THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THE INFORMATION THE ABOVE REPORT IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.
	SIGNATURE	
	NAME —	
	TITLE —	
	DATE	

TABLE I

EXCESS EMISSIONS

Time

<u>Date From To Duration Magnitude Explanation/Corrective Action</u>

TABLE II

CONTINUOUS MONITORING SYSTEM OPERATION FAILURES

Time

<u>Date</u> <u>From To Duration</u> <u>Problem/Corrective Action</u>

TABLE III

CONTROL EQUIPMENT OPERATION DURING EXCESS EMISSIONS

Time

<u>Date From To Duration Operating Parameters Corrective Action</u>

TABLE IV

Excess Emission and CEMS Performance Summary Report

Pollutant (circle one): SO₂ NO_x TRS H₂S CO Opacity

Monitor ID

1. Duration of excess emissions in reporting period due to: a. Startup/shutdown b. Control equipment problems c. Process problems d. Other known causes e. Unknown causes 2. Total duration of excess emissions 3. Total duration of excess emissions Total time CEM operated 1. CEMS² downtime in reporting due to: a. Monitor equipment malfunctions b. Non-monitor equipment malfunctions c. Quality assurance calibration d. Other known causes e. Unknown causes 2. Total duration of excess emissions 3. Total duration of excess emissions X 100 = Total time CEM operated Total time Source emitted J		Emission data summary ¹	CEMS performance summary ¹
b. Control equipment problems c. Process problems d. Other known causes e. Unknown causes 2. Total duration of excess emissions 3. Total duration of excess emissions Total time CEM operated b. Non-monitor equipment malfunctions c. Quality assurance calibration d. Other known causes e. Unknown causes 2. Total CEMS downtime 3. Total duration of excess emissions Total time CEM operated CEMS downtime X 100 = Total CEMS downtime Total time source	1.	Duration of excess emissions in reporting period due to:	1. CEMS ² downtime in reporting due to:
3. Total duration of excess emissions X 100 = Total time CEM operated Total time CEM operated Total time Source Total time source		b. Control equipment problemsc. Process problemsd. Other known causes	b. Non-monitor equipment malfunctionsc. Quality assurance calibrationd. Other known causes
Total duration of excess emissions X 100 = Total time CEM operated Total CEMS downtime Total time source	2.	Total duration of excess emissions	2.Total CEMS downtime
	3.	· •	$ \begin{array}{c c} $

For opacity, record all times in minutes. For gases, record all times in hours. Fractions are acceptable (e.g., 4.06 hours)

² CEMS downtime shall be regarded as any time CEMS is not measuring emissions.

Permit Analysis Thompson River Co-Gen., L.L.C. Permit #3175-02

I. Introduction/Process Description

A. Permitted Equipment

The following table indicates all permitted sources of emissions and emission controls utilized for each emitting unit at the Thompson River Co-Gen, L.L.C. (TRC) facility:

Emitting Unit/Process	Control Device/Practice
Boiler (192.8 million British thermal	PM/PM ₁₀ – Baghouse (40,513 dry standard cubic
unit (MMBtu/hr))	feet per minute (dscfm) capacity flow
Permit Limit of 192.8 MMBtu/hr and	SO ₂ – Dry Flue Gas Desulfurization Unit (Dry
1,688,928 MMBtu/yr	FGD) or Dry Lime Scrubber
	Hg – Dry FGD/Baghouse
	Acid Gases (HCl and H ₂ SO ₄) – Dry FGD/Baghouse
	NO_x – Over-Fire Air (OFA)
Wet Cooling Tower	NA
Fuel Handling Operations (Coal)	Enclosures, Fuel Handling Baghouse – DC1 (2,200
	cubic feet per minute (cfm)) and Fuel Handling Bin
	Vent – DC2 (1,000 cfm)
Fuel Handling Operations (Wood Waste	Enclosed Pneumatic Conveying System Vented to
Bio-Mass)	Boiler Baghouse
Outdoor Coal Storage	(≤ 6,000 tons) Wind Fencing, Earthen Berm,
	Reasonable Precautions Including Water Spray, As
	Necessary
Outdoor Wood-Waste Biomass Storage	(≤3,000 tons) Wind Fencing, Earthen Berm, and
	Reasonable Precautions Including Water Spray, As
	Necessary
Lime Storage and Handling Operations	Enclosures, Lime Silo Bin Vent – DC3 (1,000 cfm)
Bottom Ash/Fly Ash Storage and	Enclosures, Fly Ash Bin Vent – DC4 and Bottom
Handling Operations	Ash Bin Vent – DC6 (1,000 cfm/unit), Fly-Ash
	Retractable Load-out Spout (Truck Transfer),
	Bottom-Ash Partial Enclosure (3-Sided) (Truck
	Transfer)
Truck Traffic/Haul Roads	Paved Roads, Water and/or Chemical Dust
	Suppressant
Boiler Start-Up Pre-Heater	Limited to 60 MMBtu/hr (total combined heat
	input); Diesel or Propane-Fired Only; Start-Up,
	Shutdown, Malfunction, and Boiler Commissioning
	Operations Only; and Maximum of 500 Hours of
	Operation Per Year
Refractory Curing Heater(s) (Propane-	Limited to 60 MMBtu/hr; Propane-Fired Only;
Fired)	Start-Up, Shutdown, Malfunction, and Boiler
	Commissioning Operations Only; and Maximum of
	500 Hours of Operation Per Year Per Heater

B. Source Description

TRC operates a 16.5-megawatt (MW) capacity coal/wood-waste biomass-fired electricity and steam co-generation plant. The plant incorporates a 192.8 MMBtu/hr capacity boiler (Boiler), which is limited to a maximum of 130,000 pounds of steam production per hour. Most of the steam is sent to a turbine generator for the production of electricity to be sent to the power grid with a small percentage (up to 10%) of the steam and energy produced sent directly to Thompson River Lumber Company (TRL), for use in the lumber dry kilns and general operations at the sawmill. TRC will have a parasitic load (use) of approximately 0.4 MW.

The relationship between TRC and TRL is symbiotic, however, because the two sources are under separate ownership and control and are covered under separate Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes, the two sources are considered separate sources.

The Boiler is supported by coal and wood-waste biomass fuel handling system(s), including outdoor fuel storage; a cooling tower; a lime handling system; an ash/fly ash handling system; and various support trucks/vehicles. The Boiler and supporting facilities incorporate various emission control devices to limit potential pollutant emissions from each source.

The Boiler uses OFA to control oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) emissions, a combination of low sulfur coal ($\leq 1\%$ sulfur by weight) and a Dry FGD in tandem with the boiler baghouse to control sulfur dioxide (SO_2) emissions, the same Dry FGD and baghouse to control mercury (Hg), hydrochloric acid (HCl), and other acid gas emissions, combustion control to limit carbon monoxide (CO) emissions, a baghouse to control particulate matter/particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 microns (PM/PM $_{10}$) emissions, and proper design and combustion to control Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions. Boiler combustion gases first enter the dry-lime scrubber then pass through the Boiler baghouse and eventually vent to the atmosphere through the Boiler main stack.

The Boiler fires low-sulfur coal and/or wood waste bio-mass only, except for periods of start-up, shutdown, malfunction, and Boiler commissioning where the 60 MMBtu/hr propane or diesel fired boiler pre-heater are in operation. The Boiler pre-heater cannot be in operation while the boiler is producing energy or the boiler fuel feed system is operational and the unit is limited to a maximum of 500 hours of operation during any rolling 12-month time period.

Coal is delivered by railcar and unloaded to an under-track hopper. Air displaced from the under-track hopper is vented to DC1. Some coal is stored in the under track hopper while the majority of coal is transferred from the under-track hopper, via front-end loader, to an outside storage area incorporating wind fencing, an earthen berm, and water spray, as necessary, to control fugitive dust emissions from coal storage operations. From the under-track hopper and the outdoor coal storage area, coal is transferred, via a front-end loader, to a 3-sided feed hopper and on to a 200 ton/hr capacity enclosed conveyor (C1) that will transfer coal to a second 200 ton/hr capacity enclosed conveyor (C2) that will unload to an enclosed day-bin silo (S1) on top of the Boiler-house. Air displaced from the transfer between the front-end loader and the feed-hopper and the conveyor transfer points between the feed-hopper and C1 and C1 to C2 is vented to DC1 while air displaced from the transfer between C2 and S1 is vented to DC2.

Additionally, wood waste is delivered to the site for storage until use is needed. Wood-waste biomass is stored in an outside storage area incorporating wind fencing, an earthen berm, and water spray, as necessary, to control fugitive dust emissions from wood-waste storage operations. From the on-site storage area, wood-waste is transferred to the adjacent TRL, for processing into fuel grade wood-waste. After processing at the TRL site, the fuel grade wood-waste is pneumatically transferred through an enclosed pneumatic conveying system to the TRL boiler. After reaching the TRL Boiler, the wood-waste enters a cyclone (CS1), and is then

transferred directly into the boiler through the OFA ports. Air entering the boiler via the woodwaste biomass pneumatic feed is directly vented through the boiler baghouse (DC5). The transfer of fuel from S1 to the Boiler is controlled by negative pressure from the boiler.

Lime for use in the Dry FGD is delivered by trucks and pneumatically conveyed to a 1,000-ton capacity storage silo (S3). From S3 lime is pneumatically conveyed to the Dry FGD. Air that is displaced from S3 is vented through DC3.

Combustion in the Boiler produces bottom ash and fly ash. The ash is temporarily stored in silos on site including fly-ash silo (S4) and bottom-ash silo (S5). Bottom-ash from S5 is gravity-fed through a partial enclosure (3-sided enclosure) to a truck for removal from the site while fly ash from S4 is gravity fed through a retractable load out spout to a truck for removal from the site. Air displaced from the transfer between trucks and S4 and S5 is vented to DC4 and DC6.

A cooling tower is used to dissipate heat from the boiler by using the latent heat of water vaporization to exchange heat between the process and the air passing through the cooling tower. The cooling tower uses an induced counter flow draft incorporating 3 cells. The make up rate for the cooling tower is approximately 125 gallons per minute.

C. Permit History

On November 9, 2001, TRC was issued final Montana Air Quality Permit (MAQP) #3175-00 for the construction and operation of a 12.5-MW capacity electrical and steam co-generation plant. The plant was permitted for a 156 MMBtu/hr heat input capacity coal and wood-waste biomass-fired boiler and associated fuel handling, storage, and support facilities.

On September 7, 2004, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (Department) received a complete application for proposed modifications to the permitted TRC operations. Based on the information contained in the complete permit application, the following modifications were proposed under MAOP #3175-01:

- Increase in the allowable boiler baghouse emission rate (lb/hour) for PM/PM₁₀. The previously permitted Best Available Control Technology (BACT) emission limit determination of 0.017 grains per dry standard cubic feet (gr/dscf) of air-flow through the boiler baghouse would remain applicable to the baghouse-controlled boiler operations. However, due to the increase in capacity air-flow through the baghouse the permit action resulted in an increased allowable PM and PM₁₀ emission rate of 5.90 lb/hr;
- Incorporation of an enforceable Boiler I.D. fan flow capacity of 70,000 acfm, calculated as 40,513 dry standard cubic feet per minute (dscfm);
- Increase in the facility electrical output capacity from 12.5 MW to 16.5 MW;
- Incorporation of an enforceable boiler heat input capacity limit of 192.8 MMBtu/hr and 1,688,928 MMBtu/yr. This limit would be monitored on a continuous basis using information obtained from the required coal analysis and published wood-waste fuel specifications. Based on the hourly limit, the source is below the listed New Source Review Prevention of Significant Deterioration (NSR/PSD) heat input threshold value of 250 MMBtu/hr;
- Incorporation of an enforceable annual maximum boiler coal feed limit of 105,558 tons during any rolling 12-month time period. This limit is based on the maximum boiler heat input capacity feed rate of 192.8 MMBtu/hr and the worst case coal heating value of 8,000 Btu/lb;
- Incorporation of enforceable boiler main stack minimum requirements of 100.5 feet tall and 6 feet in diameter;
- Incorporation of an enforceable minimum coal heating value of 8,000 British thermal units per pound (Btu/lb) of coal;

- Incorporation of an enforceable maximum sulfur in coal value of 1.0% sulfur by weight;
- Incorporation of new NO_x, CO, VOC, SOx, and HCl BACT emission limits for boiler operations. The BACT analyses and determination(s) for modified boiler emissions were conducted due to the increased boiler heat input capacity. A BACT analysis and determination summary was provided in the permit analysis to MAQP #3175-01;
- Incorporation of an enforceable coal conveyor maximum capacity of 200 ton/hr for each coal handling conveyor at the TRC site;
- Incorporation of an enforceable partial (3-sided) enclosure requirement for coal conveyor loading en-route to the coal day bin S1;
- Addition of a 60 MMBtu/hr capacity diesel and/or propane-fired boiler pre-heater to the existing permitted equipment at the facility. The pre-heater would not be allowed to operate while the boiler is producing energy or the boiler fuel feed is in operation and would be limited to a maximum of 500 hours of operation per year;
- Addition of refractory curing heaters with a maximum combined heat input capacity of 60 MMBtu/hr to the existing permitted equipment at the facility. The refractory curing heaters would not be allowed to operate while the boiler is producing energy or the boiler fuel feed is in operation and each heater would be limited to a maximum of 500 hours of operation during any rolling 12-month time period;
- Modification of the permitted BACT requirement for primary coal storage within a baghouse controlled silo. Outdoor storage of coal utilizing wind fencing, earthen berm, and water spray, as necessary, to control fugitive coal storage PM/PM₁₀ emissions would replace the initial BACT determination under MAQP #3175-00. A summary of the BACT analysis used to make the new outdoor fuel storage BACT determination is contained in Section III of the permit analysis for MAQP #3175-01;
- Addition of on-site wood-waste biomass storage operations utilizing wind fencing, earthen berm, and water spray, as necessary, as BACT control of fugitive wood-waste biomass storage PM/PM₁₀ emissions. A summary of the BACT analysis used to make this BACT determination is contained in Section III of the permit analysis for MAQP #3175-01;
- Revisions to the previously permitted ash handling operations for the addition of a second ash handling bin vent under a new BACT determination. A summary of the BACT analysis used to make this BACT determination is contained in Section III of the permit analysis for MAQP #3175-01;
- Incorporation of an enforceable coal storage limit of 6,000 tons at any given time;
- Incorporation of an enforceable on-site wood-waste storage limit of 3,000 tons at any given time; and
- Incorporation of PM₁₀ ambient air quality monitoring requirements into the permit.

Also, TRC requested that the Department modify the previously permitted BACT requirement that all fuel transfer conveyors be enclosed to require that all fuel transfer conveyors must be covered. TRC constructed coal fuel conveyors incorporating a cover, which extends past the conveyor, creating, in effect, an enclosed conveying system. Further, TRC proposed the construction of a fully enclosed pneumatic conveying system for wood-waste biomass fuel. The Department determined that these conveying systems constitute enclosed fuel transfer conveyors; therefore, the Department will not modify the permit to require covered versus enclosed conveyors.

Because many of the above cited permit modifications affected the concentration of and plume rise and dispersion characteristics of pollutants resulting from modified TRC operations, the Department determined that air dispersion modeling was required to demonstrate compliance with applicable National and Montana Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS/MAAQS). A summary of air dispersion modeling results is contained in Section VI, Ambient Air Quality Impacts, of the permit analysis for MAQP #3175-01.

The preliminary determination was open for public comment from October 8, 2004, through October 25, 2004. Based on comments received during the public comment period, the Department modified the preliminary determination as follows:

- Incorporation of an enforceable requirement for coal fuel chlorine and ash content reporting during all source testing (Section II.C.5);
- Correction of the ambient air impact analysis summary to indicate the correct information analyzed (Section VI of the Permit Analysis and Section 7.F of the EA);
- The dry lime scrubber BACT control requirement was referenced as a Dry FGD throughout the Department decision and permit analysis for consistency and clarification of terms:
- Modification of the language contained in Section II.A.26 of the preliminary determination from the "on-site" coal storage limit of 6,000 tons to the analyzed and intended "outside" coal storage limit of 6,000 tons;
- Incorporation of increased PM₁₀ ambient air quality monitoring schedule. The Department maintains that a single ambient air quality monitor remains appropriate; however, the Department modified the ambient monitoring schedule to require sample analysis on an every 3rd day schedule year round; and
- Incorporation of an enforceable boiler steam production limit in place of the electrical megawatt production limit included in the preliminary determination (Section II.A.1).

MAQP#3175-01 replaced MAQP #3175-00.

D. Current Permit Action

On February 24, 2005, the Department received from TRC a notice of an administrative error contained in TRCs MAQP #3175-01. Specifically, Section II.C, Testing Requirements, does not include a specific testing schedule for NO_x emissions from the boiler. Section II.B clearly specifies that boiler NO_x emission limits are subject to source testing. MAQP #3175-01 does include provisions enabling the Department to invoke boiler NO_x source testing; however, at the request of TRC and in the interest of providing clarification for boiler NO_x source testing requirements, the current permit action amends the permit to include the appropriate NO_x source testing schedule under the provisions of the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.8.764(1)(c). The amended NO_x source-testing requirement is included in Section II.C.1 of the current permit action.

Further, on April 8, 2005, TRC submitted a request for an additional permit amendment under the provisions of ARM 17.8.764(1)(b) to change the existing Method 5 source-testing schedule for various permitted emitting units, maintain and specify the implied Method 9 source testing schedule, and accurately characterize certain emitting unit control technologies as fabric filter bin vents. In the initial application for MAQP #3175-00 and subsequent MAQP modification #3175-01, emitting units DC-2 (Fuel Handling Bin Vent), DC-3 (Lime Silo Bin Vent), DC-4 (Fly-Ash Silo Bin Vent), and DC-6 (Bottom-Ash Silo Bin Vent) were inconsistently characterized as varied types of fabric filter dust collecting systems (i.e. baghouses, bin vents, and/or dust collectors) and inaccurately characterized as having a continuous air-flow. These units are actually fabric filter bin vents, which control particulate emissions using natural draft or simple air displacement within the associated silo, or similar unit, to provide air flow through the filter. Given this information, the Department determined that the appropriate permit limit(s) for the affected units remain 20% opacity and a grain-loading limit of 0.02 gr/dscf. In accordance with Department fabric filter bin vent testing guidance the Department determined that the appropriate compliance demonstration for these units is an initial and periodic Method 9 source testing. Therefore, under the provisions of ARM 17.8.764(1)(b), the Department is amending the permit to remove the implied initial Method 5 source test requirement for the affected units and maintain initial and periodic Method 9 source testing. However, the

Department maintains the authority to require a Method 5 source test demonstration for the affected units. Further, the current permit action re-characterizes all affected units as bin vents throughout the permit to clarify the nature of the control device.

In addition, since TRC has accomplished various notification requirements contained in Section II.G of MAQP #3175-01, those affected notifications have been removed from the permit under the current permit action. Permit #3175-02 replaces Permit #3175-01.

E. Additional Information

Additional information, such as applicable rules and regulations, BACT/Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) determinations, air quality impacts, and environmental assessments, is included in the analysis associated with each change to the permit.

II. Applicable Rules and Regulations

- A. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 1 General Provisions, including but not limited to:
 - 1. <u>ARM 17.8.101 Definitions</u>. This rule includes a list of applicable definitions used in this chapter, unless indicated otherwise in a specific subchapter.
 - 2. <u>ARM 17.8.105 Testing Requirements</u>. Any person or persons responsible for the emission of any air contaminant into the outdoor atmosphere shall, upon written request of the Department, provide the facilities and necessary equipment (including instruments and sensing devices, and shall conduct test, emission or ambient, for such periods of time as may be necessary using methods approved by the Department.
 - 3. <u>ARM 17.8.106 Source Testing Protocol</u>. The requirements of this rule apply to any emission source testing conducted by the Department, any source or other entity as required by any rule in this chapter, or any permit or order issued pursuant to this chapter, or the provisions of the Clean Air Act of Montana, 75-2-101, *et seq.*, Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

TRC shall comply with the requirements contained in the Montana Source Test Protocol and Procedures Manual, including, but not limited to, using the proper test methods and supplying the required reports. A copy of the Montana Source Test Protocol and Procedures Manual is available from the Department upon request.

- 4. <u>ARM 17.8.110 Malfunctions</u>. (2) The Department must be notified promptly by telephone whenever a malfunction occurs that can be expected to create emissions in excess of any applicable emission limitation or to continue for a period greater than 4 hours.
- 5. ARM 17.8.111 Circumvention. (1) No person shall cause or permit the installation or use of any device or any means that, without resulting in reduction of the total amount of air contaminant emitted, conceals or dilutes an emission of air contaminant that would otherwise violate an air pollution control regulation. (2) No equipment that may produce emissions shall be operated or maintained in such a manner as to create a public nuisance.
- B. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 2 Ambient Air Quality, including, but not limited to the following:
 - 1. ARM 17.8.204 Ambient Air Monitoring.
 - 2. ARM 17.8.210 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Sulfur Dioxide.
 - 3. ARM 17.8.211 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nitrogen Dioxide.
 - 4. ARM 17.8.212 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Carbon Monoxide.

- 5. ARM 17.8.213 Ambient Air Quality Standard for Ozone.
- 6. ARM 17.8.220 Ambient Air Quality Standard for Settled Particulate Matter.
- 7. ARM 17.8.221 Ambient Air Quality Standard for Visibility.
- 8. ARM 17.8.223 Ambient Air Quality Standard for PM₁₀.

TRC shall maintain compliance with all applicable ambient air quality standards.

- C. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 3 Emission Standards, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. <u>ARM 17.8.304 Visible Air Contaminants</u>. This rule requires that no person may cause or authorize emissions to be discharged into the outdoor atmosphere from any source installed after November 23, 1968, that exhibit an opacity of 20% or greater averaged over 6 consecutive minutes.
 - 2. <u>ARM 17.8.308 Particulate Matter, Airborne.</u> (1) This rule requires an opacity limitation of 20% for all fugitive emission sources and that reasonable precautions be taken to control emissions of airborne particulate matter. (2) Under this rule, TRC shall not cause or authorize the use of any street, road, or parking lot without taking reasonable precautions to control emissions of airborne particulate matter.
 - 3. <u>ARM 17.8.309 Particulate Matter, Fuel Burning Equipment</u>. This rule requires that no person shall cause, allow, or permit to be discharged into the atmosphere particulate matter caused by the combustion of fuel in excess of the amount determined by this section.
 - 4. <u>ARM 17.8.310 Particulate Matter, Industrial Process</u>. This rule requires that no person shall cause, allow or permit to be discharged into the atmosphere particulate matter in excess of the amount set forth in this section.
 - 5. <u>ARM 17.8.322 Sulfur Oxide Emissions--Sulfur in Fuel</u>. This rule requires that no person shall burn liquid, solid or gaseous fuel in excess of the amount set forth in this section. TRC has proposed a limit less than that required in this section. Permit #3175-02 contains a federally enforceable permit limit for coal sulfur content.
 - 6. ARM 17.8.340 Standard of Performance for New Stationary Sources and Emission Guidelines for Existing Sources. This rule incorporates, by reference, 40 CFR 60, Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources (NSPS). TRC is considered an NSPS affected facility under 40 CFR 60 and is subject to the requirements of the following subparts:
 - <u>40 CFR 60, Subpart A, General Provisions</u>. This Subpart applies to the Boiler because the Boiler is an affected unit under 40 CFR 60, Subpart Db.
 - 40 CFR 60, Subpart Db, Standard of Performance for Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units. This subpart applies to the Boiler because the Boiler meets the definition of an affected source under this Subpart.
 - 7. <u>ARM 17.8.342 Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories.</u> The source, as defined and applied in 40 CFR 63, shall comply with the requirements of 40 CFR 63, as applicable.
- D. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 4 Stack Height and Dispersion Techniques, including, but not limited to:

- 1. <u>ARM 17.8.401 Definitions</u>. This rule includes a list of definitions used in this chapter, unless indicated otherwise in a specific subchapter.
- 2. <u>ARM 17.8.402 Requirements</u>. TRC must demonstrate compliance with the ambient air quality standards with a stack height that does not exceed Good Engineering Practices (GEP). The proposed height of the new or altered stack for TRC is below the allowable 65-meter GEP stack height.
- E. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 5 Air Quality Permit Application, Operation and Open Burning Fees, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. <u>ARM 17.8.504 Air Quality Permit Application Fees</u>. This rule requires that an applicant submit an air quality permit application fee concurrent with the submittal of an air quality permit application. A permit application is incomplete until the proper application fee is paid to the Department. The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted in accordance with the provisions of ARM 17.8.764 and does not require a permit application or application fee.
 - 2. <u>ARM 17.8.505 Air Quality Operation Fees</u>. An annual air quality operation fee must, as a condition of continued operation, be submitted to the Department by each source of air contaminants holding an air quality permit (excluding an open burning permit) issued by the Department. The air quality operation fee is based on the actual or estimated actual amount of air pollutants emitted during the previous calendar year.

An air quality operation fee is separate and distinct from an air quality permit application fee. The annual assessment and collection of the air quality operation fee, described above, shall take place on a calendar-year basis. The Department may insert into any final permit issued after the effective date of these rules, such conditions as may be necessary to require the payment of an air quality operation fee on a calendar-year basis, including provisions that prorate the required fee amount.

- F. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 7 Permit, Construction and Operation of Air Contaminant Sources, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. <u>ARM 17.8.740 Definitions</u>. This rule is a list of applicable definitions used in this chapter, unless indicated otherwise in a specific subchapter.
 - 2. <u>ARM 17.8.743 Montana Air Quality Permits--When Required</u>. This rule requires a person to obtain an air quality permit or permit alteration to construct, alter or use any air contaminant sources that have the Potential to Emit (PTE) greater than 25 tons per year of any pollutant. TRC has a PTE greater than 25 tons per year of PM, PM₁₀, NO_x, CO, SO_x, and VOCs; therefore, an air quality permit is required.
 - 3. <u>ARM 17.8.744 Montana Air Quality Permits--General Exclusions.</u> This rule identifies the activities that are not subject to the Montana Air Quality Permit program.
 - 4. <u>ARM 17.8.745 Montana Air Quality Permits--Exclusion for De Minimis Changes</u>. This rule identifies the de minimis changes at permitted facilities that do not require a permit under the Montana Air Quality Permit Program.
 - 5. <u>ARM 17.8.748 New or Modified Emitting Units--Permit Application Requirements.</u> (1) This rule requires that a permit application be submitted prior to installation, alteration, or use of a source. The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted under the provisions of ARM 17.8.764 and does not require a permit application. (7) This

- rule requires that the applicant notify the public by means of legal publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the application for a permit. The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted in accordance with the provisions of ARM 17.8.764 and does not require public notice.
- 6. ARM 17.8.749 Conditions for Issuance or Denial of Permit. This rule requires that the permits issued by the Department must authorize the construction and operation of the facility or emitting unit subject to the conditions in the permit and the requirements of this subchapter. This rule also requires that the permit must contain any conditions necessary to assure compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA), the Clean Air Act of Montana, and rules adopted under those acts.
- 7. <u>ARM 17.8.752 Emission Control Requirements</u>. This rule requires a source to install the maximum air pollution control capability that is technically practicable and economically feasible, except that BACT shall be utilized. The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted in accordance with the provisions of ARM 17.8.764 and does not require a BACT analysis and determination.
- 8. <u>ARM 17.8.755 Inspection of Permit</u>. This rule requires that air quality permits shall be made available for inspection by the Department at the location of the source.
- 9. <u>ARM 17.8.756 Compliance with Other Requirements</u>. This rule states that nothing in the permit shall be construed as relieving TRC of the responsibility for complying with any applicable federal or Montana statute, rule, or standard, except as specifically provided in ARM 17.8.740, *et seq*.
- 10. <u>ARM 17.8.759 Review of Permit Applications</u>. This rule describes the Department's responsibilities for processing permit applications and making permit decisions on those permit applications that do not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement.
- 11. <u>ARM 17.8.762 Duration of Permit</u>. An air quality permit shall be valid until revoked or modified, as provided in this subchapter, except that a permit issued prior to construction of a new or altered source may contain a condition providing that the permit will expire unless construction is commenced within the time specified in the permit, which in no event may be less than 1 year after the permit is issued.
- 12. <u>ARM 17.8.763 Revocation of Permit</u>. An air quality permit may be revoked upon written request of the permittee, or for violations of any requirement of the Clean Air Act of Montana, rules adopted under the Clean Air Act of Montana, the FCAA, rules adopted under the FCAA, or any applicable requirement contained in the Montana State Implementation Plan (SIP).
- 13. ARM 17.8.764 Administrative Amendment to Permit. An air quality permit may be amended for changes in any applicable rules and standards adopted by the Board of Environmental Review (Board) or changed conditions of operation at a source or stack that do not result in an increase of emissions as a result of those changed conditions. The owner or operator of a facility may not increase the facility's emissions beyond permit limits unless the increase meets the criteria in ARM 17.8.745 for a de minimis change not requiring a permit, or unless the owner or operator applies for and receives another permit in accordance with ARM 17.8.748, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752, ARM 17.8.755, and ARM 17.8.756, and with all applicable requirements in ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapters 8, 9, and 10.

The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted in accordance with the provisions of ARM 17.8.764.

- 14. <u>ARM 17.8.765 Transfer of Permit</u>. This rule states that an air quality permit may be transferred from one person to another if written notice of Intent to Transfer, including the names of the transferor and the transferee, is sent to the Department.
- G. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 8 Prevention of Significant Deterioration of Air Quality, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. <u>ARM 17.8.801 Definitions</u>. This rule is a list of applicable definitions used in this subchapter.
 - 2. ARM 17.8.818 Review of Major Stationary Sources and Major Modifications--Source Applicability and Exemptions. The requirements contained in ARM 17.8.819 through ARM 17.8.827 shall apply to any major stationary source and any major modification, with respect to each pollutant subject to regulation under the FCAA that it would emit, except as this subchapter would otherwise allow.

This facility is not a major stationary source since this facility is not a listed source and the facility's potential to emit is below 250 tons per year of any pollutant (excluding fugitive emissions).

Because the project has a symbiotic relationship with TRL the Department reviewed whether or not the two sources should be considered a single source under the requirements of NSR. If TRC and TRL were considered a single source, the source would be subject to the requirements of the NSR/PSD program. In order for two separate facilities to be considered a single source the following three criteria must be met:

- The facilities must be under common control and ownership;
- The facilities must be located on contiguous and adjacent properties; and
- The facilities must share the same SIC code.

While TRC and TRL are located on contiguous and adjacent properties, the companies are owned by separate entities, do not have common control, and have separate SIC codes. Therefore, TRC and TRL are considered separate sources under the requirements of NSR/PSD.

- H. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 12 Operating Permit Program Applicability, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. <u>ARM 17.8.1201 Definitions</u>. (23) Major Source under Section 7412 of the FCAA is defined as any source having:
 - a. PTE > 100 ton/year of any pollutant; or
 - b. PTE > 10 ton/year of any one Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAP), PTE > 25 ton/year of a combination of all HAPs, or lesser quantity as the Department may establish by rule; or
 - c. Sources with the PTE > 70 ton/year of PM₁₀ in a serious PM₁₀ nonattainment area.

- 2. <u>ARM 17.8.1204 Air Quality Operating Permit Program</u>. (1) Title V of the FCAA amendments of 1990 requires that all sources, as defined in ARM 17.8.1204(1), obtain a Title V Operating Permit. In reviewing and issuing Montana Air Quality Permit #3175-02 for TRC, the following conclusions were made:
 - a. The facility's PTE is greater than 100 ton/year for NO_x , CO_x , and SO_2 .
 - b. The facility's permitted allowable PTE is less than 10 ton/year for any individual HAP and less than 25 ton/year of all HAPs.
 - c. This source is not located in a serious PM₁₀ nonattainment area.
 - d. This facility is subject to 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart Db.
 - e. This facility is not subject to any current NESHAP standards.
 - f. This source is not a Title IV affected source, nor a solid waste combustion unit.
 - g. This source is not an EPA designated Title V source.

Based on these facts, the Department determined that TRC is a major source of emissions as defined under Title V. Operating Permit #OP3175-00 was issued final and effective on August 20, 2002. Changes made under MAQP #3175-01 constitute a significant modification of Operating Permit #OP3175-00. Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of ARM 17.8.1227, TRC submitted a permit application for a significant modification to Title V Operating Permit #OP3175-00, concurrent with the submittal of the permit application for MAQP #3175-01.

III. BACT Determination

A BACT determination is required for each new or altered source. TRC shall install on the new or altered source the maximum air pollution control capability that is technically practicable and economically feasible, except that BACT shall be utilized. The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted under the provisions of ARM 17.8.764 and does not require a BACT analysis and determination.

IV. Emission Inventory

Source		PM_{10}	NO _x	CO	SO _x	VOC	Pb	HCl
Babcock & Wilcox Boiler (192.8 MMBtu/hr)	0.00	0.00	150.32	218.72	185.78	26.18	0.04	9.50
Boiler Baghouse DC5 (70,000 acfm)	25.86	25.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fuel Handling Baghouse DC1 (2,200 acfm)	1.65	1.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fuel Handling Bin Vent DC2 (1000 acfm)	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lime Silo Bin Vent DC3 (1000 acfm)	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fly Ash Silo Bin Vent DC4 (1000 acfm)	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bottom Ash Silo Bin Vent DC6 (1000 acfm)	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vehicle Traffic	5.35	2.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cooling Tower	3.01	3.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Outdoor Coal Storage Operations	0.96	0.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Outdoor Wood-Waste Storage Operations	0.48	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disturbed Areas (Berm)	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Emissions	40.54	37.47	150.32	218.72	185.78	26.18	0.04	9.50

Boiler

Heat Input Capacity: 192.8 MMBtu/hr Operating Hours: 8760 hr/yr

NO_x Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.178 lb/MMBtu (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.178 lb/MMBtu * 192.8 MMBtu/hr = 34.32 lb/hr

34.32 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 150.32 ton/yr

CO Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.259 lb/MMBtu (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.259 lb/MMBtu * 192.8 MMBtu/hr = 49.92

49.92 * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 218.65 ton/yr

SO_x Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.220 lb/MMBtu (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.220 lb/MMBtu * 192.8 MMBtu/hr = 42.42

42.42 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 185.78 ton/yr

VOC Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.031 lb/MMBtu (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.031 lb/MMBtu * 192.8 MMBtu/hr = 5.93 lb/hr

5.93 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 25.96 ton/yr

Pb Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 4.9E-05 lb/MMBtu (AP-42, Table 1.6-5, 2/99)

Calculations: 4.9E-05 lb/MMBtu * 156 MMBtu/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.03 ton/yr

HCl Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.01125 lb/MMBtu (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.01125 lb/MMBtu * 192.8 MMBtu/hr = 2.17 lb/hr

2.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 9.50 ton/yr

Boiler Baghouse – DC5

Air-Flow Capacity: 40,513 dscfm (70,000 acfm)

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.017 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.017 gr/dscf * 40,513 dscfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 5.90 lb/hr

5.90 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 25.86 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.017 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.017 gr/dscf * 40,513 dscfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 5.90 lb/hr

5.90 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 25.86 ton/yr

Fuel Handling Baghouse – DC1

Air-Flow Capacity: 2,200 cfm

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 2,200 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.38 lb/hr

0.38 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 1.65 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 2,200 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.38 lb/hr

0.38 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 1.65 ton/yr

Fuel Handling Bin Vent – DC2

Air-Flow Capacity: 1,000 cfm

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

Lime Silo Bin Vent – DC3

Air-Flow Capacity: 1,000 cfm

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

Fly Ash Silo Bin Vent – DC4

Air-Flow Capacity: 1,000 cfm

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

Bottom Ash Silo Bin Vent – DC6

Air-Flow Capacity: 1,000 cfm

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 0.02 gr/dscf (BACT Limit)

Calculations: 0.02 gr/dscf * 1,000 cfm * 1 lb/7000 gr * 60 min/hr = 0.17 lb/hr

0.17 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.74 ton/yr

Vehicle Traffic

Miles/Round Trip (miles/hr): 0.2036

PM Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 6 lb/vehicle mile traveled (VMT) (MT-DEQ Guidance Statement)
Calculations: 6 lb/VMT * 0.2036 VMT/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 5.35 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Emission Calculations

Emission Factor: 2.70 lb/VMT

Calculations: 2.70 lb/VMT * 0.2036 VMT/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 2.41 ton/yr

Cooling Tower

Operating Capacity: 125 gallon/min

Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) Value: 55,000 ppm (lb TDS/MM lb H₂O)

Drift Factor: $0.02 \text{ lb/}100 \text{ lb H}_2\text{O}$

PM Emission Calculations

0.02 lb drift/100 lb H₂O * 125 gal H₂O/min * 60 min/hr * 8.34 lb/gal * 55,000 ppm = 0.69 lb/hr 0.69 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 3.01 ton/yr

PM₁₀ Calculations

0.02 lb drift/100 lb H₂O * 125 gal H₂O/min * 60 min/hr * 8.34 lb/gal * 55,000 ppm = 0.69 lb/hr 0.69 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 3.01 ton/yr

Outdoor Coal Storage

Pile Area: 0.482 acres Mean Wind Speed: 6.3 mph PM10 Fraction: 0.848

Control Efficiency: 90% (Earthen Berm, Wind Fence, BMP)

PM Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.22 lb/hr (Equation Derived Factor, AP-42, Table 11.19-1, 07/98)

Calculations: 0.22 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.96 ton/yr

* Equation derived emission factor considers all relevant factors and assumes 90% control

PM₁₀ Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.19 lb/hr (Equation Derived Factor, AP-42, Table 11.19-1, 07/98)

Calculations: 0.19 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.83 ton/yr

* Equation derived emission factor considers all relevant factors and assumes 90% control

Outdoor Wood-Waste Storage

Pile Area: 0.241 acres Mean Wind Speed: 6.3 mph

Control Efficiency: 90% (Earthen Berm, Wind Fence, BMP)

PM Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.11 lb/hr (Equation Derived Factor, AP-42, Table 11.19-1, 07/98)

Calculations: 0.11 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.48 ton/yr

* Equation derived emission factor considers all relevant factors and assumes 90% control

PM₁₀ Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.11 lb/hr (Equation Derived Factor, AP-42, Table 11.19-1, 07/98)

Calculations: 0.11 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.48 ton/yr

* Equation derived emission factor considers all relevant factors and assumes 90% control

Disturbed Areas (Earthen Berm)

Pile Area: 0.578 acres
Mean Wind Speed: 6.3 mph
Control Efficiency: 0%

PM Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.05 lb/hr (Equation Derived Factor, AP-42, Table 11.19-4, 07/98)

Calculations: 0.05 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.22 ton/yr

^{*} Equation derived emission factor considers all relevant factors and assumes no control

PM₁₀ Emissions

Emission Factor: 0.05 lb/hr (Equation Derived Factor, AP-42, Table 11.19-1, 07/98)

Calculations: 0.05 lb/hr * 8760 hr/yr * 0.0005 ton/lb = 0.22 ton/yr * Equation derived emission factor considers all relevant factors and assumes no control

V. Existing Air Quality

The air quality classification for the immediate area is "Unclassifiable or Better than National Standards" (40 CFR 81.327) for all pollutants. The closest nonattainment area is the Thompson Falls PM_{10} nonattainment area. The boundary is approximately 1.6 miles (2.7 kilometers) from the proposed facility. ISC3 computer modeling conducted for the permitted project demonstrates that operation of the facility will not adversely impact the Thompson Falls PM_{10} nonattainment area. The current permit action is an administrative amendment, which does not result in any impacts to TRC air pollutant emissions; therefore, the current permit action will not affect the existing air quality of the area.

VI. Ambient Air Impact Analysis

The current permit action is an administrative amendment, which does not result in any impacts to TRC air pollutant emissions; therefore, the current permit action will not result in any additional ambient air quality impacts.

VII. Taking or Damaging Implication Analysis

As required by 2-10-105, MCA, the Department conducted a private property taking and damaging assessment and determined there are no taking or damaging implications.

VIII.Environmental Assessment

The current permit action is an administrative amendment conducted under the provisions of ARM 17.8.764 and does not require an environmental assessment.

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